IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Yu-Chin Lai, et al.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Honorable Sir:

Applicants herein respectfully request in this petition a two (2) month extension of time as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a), from November 14, 2003 to January 14, 2004, within which to respond to the Office Action mailed August 14, 2003 regarding the above-identified application.

Please charge the required non-small entity two (2) month extension fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2) as well as any additional required fee to deposit account 02-1425. Triplicate copies of this petition are submitted herewith for billing purposes.

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